

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**
Monday, March 5, 2018 • 12:30 p.m. • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson, Senate Chair
Rep. Bradley G. Last, House Chair
Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Senate Vice Chair
Rep. Mike Schultz, House Vice Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Karen Mayne
President Wayne L. Niederhauser
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell

Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Francis D. Gibson
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Speaker Gregory H. Hughes
Rep. Brian S. King
Rep. John Knotwell
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Brad R. Wilson

Staff Present:

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Director
Mr. Steven M. Allred, Deputy Director
Ms. Greta G. Rodebush, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1 . Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

Chair Jerry W. Stevenson called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Bradley G. Last moved to approve the minutes of February 14 and 15, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 17 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-17

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. G. Davis
Rep. G. Hughes
Sen. K. Mayne

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Director, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, explained the meeting materials in the committee binders.

2 . Adoption of FY 2018 and FY 2019 Revenue Estimates

[2-Revenue Estimates - February 2018](#)

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to adopt February 2018 revenue estimates as shown on the blue sheet entitled, "Revenue Estimates - February 2018 (in thousands of dollars)" and dated today, March 5, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 19 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-19

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last
Sen. K. Mayne
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. G. Hughes

3 . FY 2018 and FY 2019 Budget Actions

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to approve the motions for appropriations subcommittees' fees, intent language, and budgets as shown in the salmon packet entitled "Consolidated Motions for Executive Appropriations Committee" and dated today, March 5, 2018.

Chair Stevenson recognized Sen. Gene Davis who yielded his time to Sen. Karen Mayne for a substitute motion.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Karen Mayne moved that the State Board of Education use \$300,000 of the \$9.0 million appropriated for the Enhancement for At-Risk-Students Program on Gang Prevention efforts. This motion would require an amendment to S.B. 2, Public Education Budget Amendments to increase the amount for Gang Prevention from \$1.2 million to \$1.5 million. The Substitute motion failed with a vote of 8 - 12 - 0 .

Yeas-8

Nays-12

Absent-0

Rep. J. Briscoe	Sen. J. Adams
Sen. G. Davis	Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. L. Escamilla	Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. S. Hollins	Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. J. Iwamoto	Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. King	Rep. B. Last
Sen. K. Mayne	Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. A. Romero	Rep. M. Schultz
	Sen. J. Stevenson
	Sen. K. Van Tassell
	Sen. E. Vickers
	Rep. B. Wilson

Chair Stevenson recognized Sen. Davis who yielded his time to Sen. Luz Escamilla for a substitute motion.

MOTION: Sen. Luz Escamilla moved to fund the request for appropriation entitled “ICF-ID Property Improvement” with the following: 1. \$650,000 one-time General Fund in FY 2019. 2. Increase the one-time appropriation to the Department of Health from the Nursing Care Facilities Provider Assessment Fund by \$300,000. This has the effect of increasing assessments one-time on Intermediate Care Facilities for the Intellectually Disabled by 0.8% (from 4.9% to 5.7% of revenues). Of the increase \$9,000 one-time is to replace \$9,000 one-time General Fund for the Medicaid and Health Financing line item.

Sen. Escamilla spoke to the motion and responded to questions.

The substitute motion failed with a vote of 8 - 12 - 0 .

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. A. Romero

Nays-12

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

Absent-0

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to adopt the following intent language: The Legislature intends that the Department of Transportation use \$2,000,000 from the Transportation Fund to assist Salt Lake County in completing Parley's Trail to the Jordan River.

Sen. Davis spoke to the motion.

The substitute motion failed with a vote of 9 - 11 - 0 .

Yeas-9

Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Sen. K. Mayne
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. A. Romero

Nays-11

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

Absent-0

MOTION: Sen. Jani Iwamoto moved to fund the following items: 1) \$250,000 Pediatric Trauma: Quality Improvement Network (Ongoing), and 2) \$50,000 University of Utah Reading Clinic Distance Lab (One-time).

Sen. Iwamoto spoke to the substitute motion.

Chair Stevenson asked if Sen. Iwamoto would like to divide her substitute motion. She agreed.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to fund the following item: 1) \$250,000 Pediatric Trauma: Quality Improvement Network (Ongoing). The Substitute motion failed with a vote of 8 - 12 - 0 .

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King

Nays-12

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last

Absent-0

Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. A. Romero

Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to fund the following item: 2) \$50,000 University of Utah Reading Clinic Distance Lab (One-time).

Sen. Escamilla spoke to the substitute motion.

The substitute motion failed with a vote of 9 - 11 - 0 .

Yeas-9

Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. A. Romero

Nays-11

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. P. Knudson
Rep. B. Last
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. M. Schultz
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Rep. B. Wilson

Absent-0

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla proposed the following intent language: The Legislature intends that the Department of Human Resource Management (DHRM) make available to outside researchers requested data that may be useful in evaluating the pay of employees of the State of Utah. The requested data shall be made available in a timely manner and may include employee data on experience, age, gender, race, and other demographic information. DHRM may not disclose sensitive information that is protected under federal or state statute, which may require anonymization of certain data to ensure the privacy of the individual.

Sen. Escamilla spoke to the motion.

The substitute motion failed with a vote of 8 - 12 - 0 .

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe

Nays-12

Sen. J. Adams

Absent-0

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Sen. K. Mayne	Sen. W. Niederhauser
Rep. A. Romero	Rep. M. Schultz
	Sen. J. Stevenson
	Sen. K. Van Tassell
	Sen. E. Vickers
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MOTION: Rep. King moved to transfer \$300,000 One-time from Line 39 of the proposed funding items, the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium new Science Learning Center, to the Hogle Zoo iSee Habitat Investigation Classroom Program.

Rep. King spoke to the motion.

The substitute motion failed with a vote of 8 - 12 - 0 .

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. A. Romero

Nays-12

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Absent-0

Rep. Last restated the underlying motion to approve the motions for appropriations subcommittees' fees, intent language, and budgets as shown in the salmon packet entitled "Consolidated Motions for Executive Appropriations Committee" and dated today, March 5, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 20 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-20

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe

Nays-0

Absent-0

Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
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Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to approve the budget changes as shown in the yellow packet entitled, “Proposed Funding Items, 2018 General Session” and dated today, March 5, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 20 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-20

Nays-0

Absent-0

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
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Sen. K. Van Tassell

Sen. E. Vickers

Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to authorize legislative staff to draft the following bills: • House Bill 2, New Fiscal Year Supplemental Appropriations Act; • Senate Bill 2, Public Education Budget Amendments; and • Senate Bill 3, Current Fiscal Year Supplemental Appropriations as Executive Appropriations Committee bills. The motion passed with a vote of 20 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-20

Nays-0

Absent-0

Sen. J. Adams

Rep. J. Briscoe

Sen. G. Davis

Sen. L. Escamilla

Rep. F. Gibson

Rep. S. Hollins

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MOTION: Rep. Last moved to authorize legislative staff to prepare a substitute to Senate Bill 8, State Agency and Higher Education Compensation Appropriations, and include in this bill funding for a 2.5% general salary increase for state executive branch and higher education employees, funding equivalent to a 2.5% general salary increase for discretionary increases in the legislative and judicial branches and constitutional offices, funding for an average 4.1% rate increase for health insurance benefits, other benefit rate adjustments, retirement rate changes for certain state employees as recommended by URS, and adjustments to termination pools as recommended by the Board of Trustees of the State Post-Retirement Benefits Trust. In consultation with the co-chairs of the Executive Appropriations Committee, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst may make

any technical changes necessary, including balancing between funds and fiscal years in order to balance the overall budget. The motion passed with a vote of 20 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-20

Nays-0

Absent-0

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4 . State Homeless Coordinating Committee Report

Mr. Jonathan Hardy, Director, Housing and Community Development Division, Department of Workforce Services, presented the report and distributed the handout, "Homeless to Housing Reform Account - Recommendations."

5 . Requests for Advance Payments from Disaster Recovery Restricted Account

Mr. Kris Hamlet, Director, Utah Division of Emergency Management, presented the report.

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to approve the transfer of \$2,252,519 from the Disaster Recovery Restricted Account for payment to the local fire agencies that assisted in California. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-16

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. B. King

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Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. E. Vickers

6 . Other Business/Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-16

Sen. J. Adams
Rep. J. Briscoe
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Hollins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
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Sen. W. Niederhauser
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Sen. K. Van Tassell
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. G. Hughes
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Knotwell
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Stevenson adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m.